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Sir:

Pursuant to MPEP §609, Applicant hereby respectfully requests that the Examiner initial the enclosed copy of the Form PTO-1449, originally submitted on March 15, 2005 with an IDS, in the appropriate place in the left-hand column as proof that the listed references have been considered and made of record. Applicant further requests that the Examiner return a copy of the initialed form to the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

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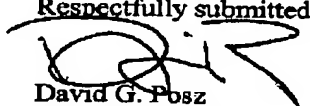
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is/are being submitted for consideration by the Examiner without any admission that it/they constitute(s) statutory prior art, or without any admission that it/they contain(s) subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Further, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby certifies that each listed reference was first cited in a Communication (copy and translation enclosed) from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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